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 ) **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

TITLE: OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS, CONDITION MEASURING METHOD,  
AND CONDITION MEASURING POSITION SETTING METHOD

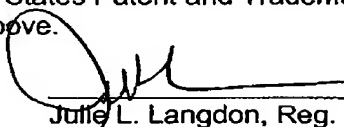
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Julie L. Langdon, Reg. No. 59001**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2008 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on April 11, 2008. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicant believes this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.